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Class: VII Subject: English Topic: Thank You Ma'am

Read to understand

A. Woman: understanding, empathetic, courageous, firm

B. Boy: regretful, apologetic, helpless, truthful

1. a) The boy was hoping to snatch Mrs. Jones' purse, but he was not successful.

b) The woman, Mrs Jones, reached down, picked the boy up by his shirt front, and shook him till his teeth rattled.

c) Mrs Jones' actions can be seen as both surprising and justified. Her immediate physical response might surprise some people. But it can be justified as a means of self-protection. She was capable of defending herself and asserting control over the situation.

2. a) Mrs Jones is talking to Roger, the boy who tried to steal her purse.

b) The word 'M'am' implies respect and acknowledgment of Mrs Jones' authority.

c) There was a long pause when the boy looked at Mrs Jones because he was likely surprised by her unexpected response and didn't know how to react, or he might have been processing her offer of kindness after his attempted theft.

C. 1. The boy who tried stealing Mrs Jones' purse is named Roger. He was not successful in stealing the purse.

2. The phrase "You a lie!" is a colloquial way of accusing someone of lying. In this context, Mrs Jones is asserting that she doesn't believe the boy's claim that he didn't intend to steal her purse.

3. After he got caught, Mrs Jones took the boy to her home, washed his face, fed

him, and gave him money for the shoes.

4. The boy's intention for stealing was to get money for a pair of blue suede shoes.

5. The boy supposed that Mrs Jones would either take him to jail or scold him severely, but instead, she showed him kindness and taught him a valuable lesson.